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DECLARATION

I, Marcel Brouard, inventor,

declare that I have carried out a number of tests, in order to replicate a typical usage of Felt pads under a chair in a domestic environment, of Felt pads compressed against Velcro pads. The Velcro pads being of two types, namely with J-shaped hooks and with mushroom shaped hooks. The Felt pads being of our manufacture and being centrally impregnated with latex. The results of the tests made possible comparing on the one hand the shear resistance of the tested pads combined with J-shaped hook Velcro pads and on the other hand, the

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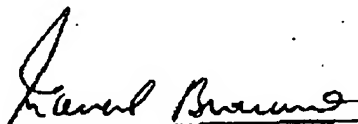
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1) Height of hooks: The mushroom type hooks (40) measure 0.025" in height (compared to 0.035" in height for the 'J' type hooks (58). It is critical to have the shortest hooks possible in order to avoid the 'bending' of the hooks under shear stress, which diminishes considerably the resistance to such stress (as demonstrated in the TEST RESULTS sent separately in a DVD by UPS).

Diameter of hooks: The mushroom type hooks measure 0.0075" in diameter (the same as for 'J' hooks). Having the same diameter hooks with a shorter height, which is the case for the mushroom type hooks increases the resistance to shear stress (as demonstrated in the TEST RESULTS sent separately in a DVD by UPS).

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